EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

A TRIBUTE TO KEN WALSH, 2012 JOSEPH'S SCHOOL HENRY SCHIMPF AWARD RECIPIENT

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, September 28, 2012

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ken Walsh, a member of the faculty of St. Joseph's School of the Sacred Heart in Atherton, California, who is being honored with the Henry Schimpf Award for his selfless service contributions, commitment and dedication within the St. Joseph's community. Like the man for whom the award is named, Ken Walsh has touched and improved the lives of so many while at St. Joseph's School of the Sacred Heart, and embodies the kind of patient, humble, selfless teaching methods we should all aspire to practice.

Ken was behind the founding of the entire Athletic program for St. Joseph's School. He expanded the sports program from beyond basketball and baseball, and included other sports programs such as, tennis, track and soccer. Because of Ken's dedication, SJS has a strong sports presence along the Peninsula. His actions have provided more opportunities to more students, enabling many of them to participate in a variety of sports of their choosing. With the help and support of the community, along with SJS faculty, Ken raised money for a new field, which was named after Henry Schimpf. Ken is not only an outstanding educator, but he is also a great collaborator. He has been known to offer other schools in the region, like Sacred Heart Preparatory to utilize SJS tennis courts, and has taken the opportunity to organizing various tournaments between the two schools for both boys and girls. He is well respected by the community, his peers, his family, and his students as a teacher, an athletic director and as a friend.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Ken Walsh, an educator who lives a life which embodies the goals and criteria of Sacred Heart Schools. He lives the five commitments of faith, respect, social awareness, community building and personal growth, and his contributions to his students have strengthened our community and our country immeasurably.

MANHATTAN PROJECT NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, September 19, 2012

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak regarding H.R. 5987, which establishes the Manhattan Project National Historical Park in Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Los Alamos, New Mexico; and Hanford, Washington.

These American cities were the primary locations of the Manhattan Project-an unprecedented American research and development effort during World War II that harnessed the power of the atom to produce the world's first atomic weapons. The project produced the atomic bombs detonated over the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki that ultimately led to the surrender of Japan in August 1945.

The Manhattan Project is worthy of national recognition as a scientific achievement and a historical turning point in the greatest conflict of the 20th century. However, the highest degree of sensitivity is required in doing so. The same blasts that ended America's war and brought joy to our streets resulted in the death of over 300,000 Japanese civilians.

There are important questions about how the National Park Service will interpret this new monument. These questions should be answered before H.R. 5987 moves forward. While I do not oppose the establishment of a national historic park recognizing the Manhattan Project, I expect the necessary consultations with stakeholders to occur prior to passage of this legislation.

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS ON S. 743

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 28, 2012

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker: I submit the exchange of letters on S. 743.

House of Representatives, COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY, Washington, DC, September 19, 2012. Hon. DARRELL ISSA,

Chairman, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN ISSA: I am writing regarding the jurisdictional interest of the Committee on Homeland Security over provisions in S. 743, the Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2012, which passed the Senate by unanimous consent with amendments on May 8, 2012.

I understand the importance of advancing this legislation to the House floor in an expeditious manner. Therefore, the Committee on Homeland Security will waive further consideration. This action is conditional on our mutual understanding and agreement that doing so will in no way diminish or alter the jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security over the subject matter included in this or similar legislation. I request that you urge the Speaker to appoint members of this Committee to any conference committee for consideration of any provisions that fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security in the House-Senate conference on this or similar legislation.

I also request that this letter and your response be included in the Congressional RECORD during consideration of this measure on the House floor. Thank you for you consideration of this matter.

Sincerely.

PETER T. KING. Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. COM-MITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND GOV-ERNMENT REFORM.

Washington, DC, September 19, 2012. Hon. Peter T. King.

Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security, House of Representatives, Washington DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you for your letter regarding the Committee on the Homeland Security's jurisdictional interest in S. 743, the "Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2012," and your willingness to forego consideration of S. 743 by your committee.

I agree that the Committee on Homeland Security has a valid jurisdictional interest in certain provisions of S. 743 and that the Committee's jurisdiction will not be adversely affected by your decision to forego consideration of S. 743. As you have requested, I will support your request for an appropriate appointment of outside conferees from your Committee in the event of a House-Senate conference on this or similar legislation should such a conference be con-

Finally, I will include a Copy of your letter and this response in the Congressional Record during the floor consideration of this bill. Thank you again for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

DARRELL ISSA, Chairman.

House of Representatives, Per-MANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON IN-TELLIGENCE.

Washington, DC, September 18, 2012.

Hon. DARRELL ISSA,

Chairman, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, House of Representatives, $Washington, \, DC.$

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In recognition of the importance of expediting the passage of S. 743, the "Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2012," the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will not object to consideration of a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill. The Committee has jurisdictional interests in S. 743, including intelligence and intelligence-related authorizations and provisions contained in the bill.

We very much appreciate the efforts of you and your staff to address issues of jurisdictional interest to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence during consideration of this legislation.

The Committee takes this action only with the understanding that this procedural route should not be construed to prejudice the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence's jurisdictional interest over this bill or any similar bill and will not be considered as precedent for consideration of matters of jurisdictional interest to the Committee in the future, including in connection with any subsequent consideration of the bill by the House. In addition, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will seek conferees on any provisions of the bill that are within its jurisdiction during any House-Senate conference that may be convened on this legislation.

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